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RETURN to an Address of the Honourable The House of Commons, dated 10 May 1850;—for,

"COPIES of Instructions from the Admiralty to Captain Austin, R. N., C. B., and to any other Officers in Her Majesty's Service engaged in Arctic Expeditions, since the Date of the last Parliamentary Return."

SCHEDULE OF PAPERS.

- No. 1.—Copy of a Letter from Captain Hamilton, Secretary of the Admiralty, to Captain Penny, of the Ship "Lady Franklin," dated 10 April 1850.
- No. 2.—Copy of a Letter from Captain Hamilton, Secretary of the Admiralty, to Mr. James Saunders, Master, commanding Her Majesty's Ship "North Star," dated 10 April 1850.
- No. 3.—Copy of Orders from the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to Mr. William Penny, of the Ship "Lady Franklin," in charge of an Expedition to the Arctic Seas, dated 11 April 1850.
- No. 4.—Copy of Orders from the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to Captain *Horatio T. Austin*, c. B., of Her Majesty's Ship "Resolute," in charge of an Expedition to the Arctic Seas, dated 2 May 1850.

Admiralty, 7 28 May 1850.

J. H. Hay, Chief Clerk.

-No. 1.-

Copy of a LETTER from Captain Hamilton, Secretary of the Admiralty, to Captain Penny, of the Ship "Lady Franklin."

Sir,

Admiralty, 10 April 1850.

I AM commanded by my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to send you herewith the original and duplicate of a letter addressed to Mr. Saunders, master, commanding Her Majesty's store ship "North Star," in the Arctic seas, containing instructions for his guidance; one of which my Lords request you will take charge of yourself, for delivery to that officer, should you fall in with him; and the other you are to put in the possession of Mr. Stewart, of the ship "Sophia," for the same purpose.

Captain Penny, Ship "Lady Franklin," Aberdeen. I have, &c. (signed) W. A. B. Hamilton.

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